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Cicero Stirs Up Excitement

It was a very hot Saturday in June. Little Cicero Pig was alone and unhappy. His aunt, Petunia Pig, had gone on a Girl Scout picnic.

"I'm sure you can find something exciting to do by yourself for one day, Cicero," Petunia had told him.

"Exciting?" Cicero grumbled after Petunia left. "In this heat? Phooey!"

He felt as limp as a head of wilted lettuce, so he decided the first thing to do was try to get cool. He turned on the electric fan, but it only blew the hot air around and made him warmer.

Suddenly he had an idea! He half-filled the bathtub with cold water. Then, taking all the ice cubes out of the refrigerator, he dumped them into the tub and jumped in after them.

For a minute, Cicero was so cold his teeth chattered. But as he grew used to the coldness, he had fun pretending he was a polar bear taking a dip in the Arctic Ocean. By the time the ice cubes were melted, he was cool—but bored.

"I'll go over an' see Porky," he planned, climbing out of the tub. "Maybe HE can think of something to do."

As Cicero neared Porky's house, he heard a loud, peculiar noise coming from under the maple trees in the back yard. He paused to listen.

"Zzzz-o-onk-ZZzzz-o-onk Zzzz!"

Somebody was snoring!

Cicero tiptoed toward the sound. As he drew near, he saw a hammock swung between two of the stoutest trees in the yard. The snoring was coming from there.

Cautiously, Cicero crept forward to peek into the hammock. There—enjoying the shade AND a nap—lay Porky Pig!

Mischievously, Cicero considered tipping Porky out of the hammock. But just then he had a more exciting idea. He hurried across the yard and into Porky's kitchen. He took a good-sized paper bag from the cupboard drawer and began to blow into it. He blew and blew . . . and blew and blew . . . until his cheeks were puffed out like twin balloons and his face was as red as a stop light. When the bag was filled with air, Cicero twisted the opening so the air could not leak out. Then, moving very quietly, he went back to the hammock.

For a moment, he stood looking down at the still-snoring Porky. Then he grinned widely and slapped the air-filled bag with all his might.

BA-A-ANG!!

The bag burst with a terrible crack!

Porky woke up very suddenly indeed! "Y-Ye-ow!" he yelled. He leaped from the hammock, raced off through the trees and disappeared around the back corner of the garage.

"Ha! Ha! Ha!" Cicero doubled up with laughter. "Ha! Ha! Ha!"

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WARNER BROS. CARTOONS INC.,

Present

BUGS BUNNY

HI, PETUNIA! WHERE YA GOIN'?

THAT'S A SILLY QUESTION, BUGS! DON'T YOU SEE THIS EMPTY MARKET CART?

JEEPERS! IT'S GIGRANTIC! WHAT'RE YA RUNNIN'? A BOARDIN'-HOUSE?

OF COURSE NOT! THIS IS MY SHOPPING FOR THE WEEK! I HAVE AN AWFULLY LONG LIST! SEE?

OH, BROTHER! ALL MY FAV'RITE EATS!

OOOO

Carrots
Chocolate Cookies
Pickles
Salami
lettuce
Cheese cake
Appl

LISTEN, PETUNIA! LET'S GO ON A PICNIC! YOU PACK A LUNCH...

NO SIR-EE, BUGS BUNNY!

YOU'RE ALWAYS GETTING SOMEONE TO TREAT YOU! WHY DON'T YOU TREAT SOMEONE ELSE FOR A CHANGE?

SELF-SERVE MART

BUT I'M SO BROKE! I COULDN'T BUY A NICKEL CHANCE ON A MILLYUN DOLLARS!

YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED, BUGS BUNNY, WHEN THERE ARE SO MANY JOBS...

Y'MEAN YA WANT ME T' GO TO WORK?!

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WHY NOT? ANYWAY, YOU WON'T GET ANOTHER BITE FROM ME TILL YOU DO!

GULP!

HMM... THIS SITURATION IS GETTIN' SERIOUS!

WHERE'M I GONNA GET A JOB? I'VE BEEN FIRED AT LEAST ONCE BY 'MOST EVER'BODY IN TOWN!

OH, HO! TH' "EVENIN' HOORAH"! THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA!

I'LL JUST TAKE A SQUINT AT TH' WANT AD SECTION!

WANT ADS

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"EASY WORK," HUH? THAT'S FER ME! I'LL JUST TEAR...

HEY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH MY PAPER?

ER... JUST... ER... DELIVERIN' IT, MISTER!

WELL, HAND IT HERE!

GREAT GUNS! IT'S ALL TORN!

NEVER MIND, DOC! WE DON'T CHARGE EXTREE FER THAT!

WELL, HERE'S SOMETHING FREE FOR YOU, TOO!

I MIGHTA KNOWN HE WAS TH' TYPE THAT COULDN'T TAKE A JOKE!

A LITTLE LATER...

I HOPE TH' OL' GAL NEVER HEARD O' ME...

22 PARK LANE Dr.

'CAUSE IF SHE DID, I'LL BE SURE NOT T' GET TH' JOB!

HOW-DE-DO, YOUNG MAN!

HI!...ER... I MEAN, GOOD AFTERNOON! I CAME ABOUT TH' AD!

DO YOU LIKE DOGS? ARE YOU HEALTHY? WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

I'M CAH-RAZY ABOUT DOGS! AN' SO HEALTHY, I NEVER EVEN HAD A HANGNAIL! AN' MY NAME'S...UH... BUGSTON BUNNY!

YOU'RE HIRED! COME! LADY JULIET IS IN THE LIVING ROOM!

LADY JULIET, HUH? WELL, GIMME A BERET AN' CALL ME "ROMEO"!

THIS IS LADY JULIET, BUGSTON! ISN'T SHE ADORABLE?

YEAH!...ER...AYE, MA'AM! SHE LOOKS KINDA LIKE A KITTEN, DON'T SHE?

THE VERY IDEA! LADY JULIET IS A THOROUGHBRED CANINE! AND EXTREMELY VALUABLE!

DO TELL! IS SHE... UH... EASY T' SIT WITH?

OH, YES! SHE IS VERY WELL BEHAVED! I'M SURE YOU WON'T HAVE A BIT OF TROUBLE WITH HER!

HER FORMULA'S READY IN THE KITCHEN! WARM IT AND FEED HER AT THREE! AND WATCH OUT FOR DOGNAPPERS!

ULP! WH-WHAT?

DOGNAPPERS! MEN WHO STEAL DOGS FOR RANSOM! THERE IS AN EPIDEMIC OF SUCH CRIMES NOW!

D-DON'T WORRY! NO KNAPDOGGER, ER...DAPNOGGER'LL GET JULIE...

I HOPE!

R-RING!

HOLD STILL, POOCH! I GOTTA ANSWER TH' PHONE!

HELLO! DIS IS MISTER DE SNOOTUS' BUTLER! LEMME SPEAK TUH MISSUS VAN DOGLUND!

SORRY, PAL! SHE'S GONE OUT!

DAT'S ALL I WANTED TUH KNOW! G'BYE!

THAT GUY TALKED AWFUL FUNNY FER A BUTLER!

JEEPERS! M-MAYBE HE WAS ONE OF THEM KNAPDOGGERS!

ARF! ARF!

YEAH! I KNOW IT'S YER CHOW TIME! BUT I AIN'T TAKIN' CHANCES ON LOSIN' YA!

CLICK!

A MOMENT OR SO LATER...

UNLAX, PUP! NOW WE'RE LOCKED IN! I'LL FIX YER GRUB!

LESSEE... WHAT'D SHE SAY TO DO WITH THIS?... OH, YEAH! WARM IT!

OW! THERE MUST BE A COOLER WAY O' DOIN' THIS!

HISSSSSS

HALP! I'M SHOT!

BANG!

YIPE! YIPE!

GEE... THAT WAS TH' ONLY BOTTLE HERE...

HEY! GET OUTA THAT MILK PUDDLE!

UH, OH! LOOKIT TH' HALL CARPET!

NOW, WHERE'D SHE... AHA! TH' TRAIL IS CLEAR!

C'M OUTA THERE, YA PESKY PEEKINTHEKNEES!

GRRRR!

AN' I TOOK THIS JOB 'CAUSE IT WAS **EASY**!... UH, OH!

OOPS!

CRASH!

I GOTTA FEELIN' I WON'T BE WORKIN' HERE VERY LONG!

R-RING!

TH' DOOR-BELL! HOPE IT ISN'T MISSUS VAN DOGLUND!

HAND OVER TH' MUTT, BUB! OR I'LL BLOW YA TUH BITS!

ULP! ER... ARE YOU REAL OR JUST MY IMAGERNATION?

ONE SIDE, BUB! IS THUH LADY O' THUH HOUSE...

KEE-RASH!

BANG!

?

WHAT'S UP, MIKE?

THUH JERNT'S JUMPIN' WIT GUARDS! ONE OF 'EM NEAR GOT ME!

JEEPERS! I B-BET THEY WERE D-DOGNIPPERS!... AN' THAT PUP... ULP!... I'D BETTER HAVE A LOOK...

ATTA GIRL! HAVE FUN! YA JUST SAVED US BOTH FROM A FATE WORSE'N DEATH!

LOOKS LIKE WE'RE OUTA LUCK, RED! AS LONG AS THUH PUP'S IN THUH HOUSE...

HEY! I GOT AN IDEA! LET'S FIND A PHONE! I'LL TELL YOU ABOUT IT ON THE WAY!

A LITTLE LATER...

R-RING!

SOME NERVE... COMIN' BACK AGAIN! WELL, I'LL FIX 'EM!

R-RING!

IT AIN'T TH' DOOR-BELL! IT'S TH' PHONE! PROB'LY THAT FUNNY-TALKIN' BUTLER!

HELLO? AN' IF YA WANT TH' MISSIS, SHE **STILL** AIN'T HERE!

OF COURSE SHE ISN'T! **THIS** IS MISSUS VAN DOGLUND!

I FORGOT TO TELL YOU TO TAKE PRECIOUS FOR A WALK! IMMEDIATELY!

OKAY, MA'AM!

AND SO, IN A FEW MINUTES...

GEE, RED! THIS IS GONNA BE A CINCH!

LOOKS THAT WAY!

AND THEN...

TRAVEL BUREAU

I'D SURE LIKE T' TAKE A TRIP...

Hawaii

YIPE! SOMEBODY MUSTA HEARD ME!

QUICK, MIKE! GET OUT OF SIGHT! DON'T LET HIM SEE YOU!

OOMPH!

KER-PLOP!

I SHOULD NEVER O' LET PETUNIA TALK ME INTA THIS!

Hawaii

HUMPH! MAKES ME FEEL TIRED JUST LOOKIN' AT ALL THEM EXERCISIN' DOO-DADS!

SPORTING GOO

PST! MAKE IT SNAPPY, MIKE!

WHADDYA THINK I'M DOIN'?

SPO

C'MON, JULIE! I AIN'T IN TH' MOOD FER A TUG-O'-WAR!

YIPES! I'VE BEEN ROBBED!

FEETS, DO YER STUFF!

TH' PUP-SNATCHERS! THEY'VE GOT JULIE!

OOPS!

WHERE'D THEY GO? I CAN'T SEE 'EM ANY PLACE!

UH, OH! THIS IS WHERE I CAME IN!

HALP! STOP! THIEF!

BRO-THER! THAT WAS CLOSE!

HE'S GAININ' ON US, RED!

A REVOLVING DOOR! NOW WE'LL GIVE HIM THE SLIP!

GRAND HOTEL

HEY, YOU! DROP THAT DOG!

TRY AN' MAKE ME, YOU LONG-EARED CARROT-HOUND!

I'LL DO MORE'N THAT! I'LL EXPURNIHILATE YA!

SWISH!

TIM--BER!

PLOP!

OOMPH!

LOOKS LIKE MIKE'S OUT OF TH' PICTURE! SO I'LL JUST FINISH THIS JOB ON MY OWN!

NOT SO FAST, CHUM!

WHAT'S GOIN' ON HERE?

THAT RABBIT! HE'S A DOGNAPPER! ME AN' MY PAL HAVE BEEN CHASING HIM FOR BLOCKS!

IT'S A LIE! GRAB 'EM, OFFICER! THEY'RE TH' CROOKS!

A LIKELY STORY! WITH YOU HOLDIN' TH' DOG!

ER...BUT I'M S'POSED T' HAVE HER! I'M HER... UH... I'M WITH HER WHILE...

THAT'S NOT TH' WAY I SEE IT! COME ON, I'M TAKIN' YOU IN!

OFFICER! REMOVE YOUR HAND FROM BUGSTON'S SHOULDER THIS INSTANT!

MISSUS VAN DOGLUND!

MY POOR LITTLE DARLING! AND POOR, POOR BUGSTON! THIS IS OUTRAGEOUS! PREPOSTEROUS!

AN' THAT'S NOT ALL, MA'AM!...

AFTER BUGS EXPLAINS...

BETTER GET GOIN', DOC! LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE CLEARIN' OUT!

THEY'LL NOT ESCAPE OFFICER O'SHEPHERD! NO, SIR!

YOU'RE A BRAVE BOY, BUGSTON! I SHALL REWARD YOU HANDSOMELY!

THANKS, MA'AM!

Y' KNOW, THIS IS TH' FIRST TIME I'VE DONE ANY SITTIN' SINCE I TOOK THIS JOB!

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Present

SNIFFLES and Mary Jane

OH, DEAR! I WISH I COULD THINK OF A NEW CHARACTER FOR MY STORY!

I KNOW WHERE YOU CAN GET ONE, MARY JANE!

REALLY, SNIFFLES? WHERE?

IN THE LAND O' IMAGINATION! MAKE YOURSELF SMALL, AN' I'LL CALL THE MAGIC WIND TO TAKE US THERE!

NOW I SHUT MY EYES REAL TIGHT, AND THEN I WISH WITH ALL MY MIGHT, MAGIC WORDS OF POOF, POOF, PIFFLES, MAKE ME JUST AS SMALL AS SNIFFLES!

ABRACADABRA! MAGIC WIND! COME, CARRY US TO IMAGINATION LAND!

OOOH! WE'RE FLYING RIGHT UP TO THE CLOUDS!

MY GOODNESS, SNIFFLES! IT LOOKS LIKE A THEATRE IN THE SKY!

IT DOES LOOK THAT WAY!

HEY... WHO'S THAT?

WELCOME, MARY JANE AND SNIFFLES! I'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU! I'M NIPPO, AND I WORK HERE CREATING CHARACTERS!

OH, GOODY! WILL YOU CREATE ONE FOR ME?

WITH PLEASURE! WHAT TYPE DO YOU NEED?

A LITTLE ELF FOR A FAIRY STORY I'M WRITING!

TELL ME A LITTLE MORE ABOUT HIM, MARY JANE!

WELL, HE'S ALWAYS GETTING INTO MISCHIEF, BUT HE ISN'T REALLY BAD...

...THE FAIRY QUEEN IS ALL READY TO BANISH HIM, WHEN HE SAVES THE PRINCESS' LIFE AND BECOMES A **HERO**!

I KNOW THE TYPE! NAUGHTY BUT NICE!

THERE HE IS! HOW DO YOU LIKE HIM?

OH, NIPPO! HE'S SIMPLY **PERFECT**!

WHERE ARE WE GOIN' NOW?

TO THE CUTTING ROOM, TO HAVE HIM CUT OUT!

A RUSH ORDER, PUDGY! AND DON'T NICK HIS EARS LIKE YOU DID THE LAST TIME!

THEN DON'T MAKE THEIR EARS SO IMPOSSIBLY LONG!

JEEPERS, PUDGY! YOU SURE DO A SWELL JOB O' CUTTIN'!

THANKS, SNIFFLES!

WHAT'S NEXT, NIPPO?

THE TAILOR'S FOR AN ELF COSTUME!

AH, NIPPO! YOU BROUGHT ME CUSTOMERS, I SEE.!

JUST THIS ELF, TAILOR! MARY JANE WANTS HIM DRESSED IN YOUR FINEST ELF COSTUME!

WITH A POINTED CAP AND POINTED SHOES!

I'M SURE I HAVE EXACTLY WHAT YOU WANT, MARY JANE!

♪ TRA LA LA ♪ **DON'T** I MAKE A GAY LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD?

CLICK

YOU'LL BE A **SAD** ONE IF THE TAILOR CATCHES YOU! HE DOESN'T LIKE ANYONE TO TOUCH HIS COSTUMES!

HERE HE IS, MARY JANE! THE BEST DRESSED ELF IN FAIRYLAND...IF I **DO** SAY SO!

I THINK SO, TOO! HE'S ABSOLUTELY **SUPER**!

GOSH! DON'T ELVES HAVE **HAIR**?

OF COURSE! COME! WE'LL GET HIM A WIG!

WHO ARE THEY, NIPPO? **LIVE** CHARACTERS LOOKING FOR NEW WIGS?

NO, WIGGY! ALL WE WANT IS A NICE MOP OF RED HAIR FOR **THIS** LITTLE FELLOW!

BUT THIS **BLONDE** HAIR IS MUCH MORE BECOMING!

PLOP!

HEY... **NOT ME!**

ONLY **YOU** CAN BRING HIM TO LIFE, MARY JANE! AND YOU CAN DO THAT BY GIVING HIM A NAME!

HOW EXCITING! I CHRISTEN HIM **SNICKERS!**

SNICKERS! WHAT A SILLY NAME! JUST FOR THAT, I WON'T BE AN ELF IN YOUR STORY!

OH! B-BUT YOU **HAVE** TO!

NOT UNLESS YOU CAN CATCH ME!

GOSH! HE'S **GONE!**

HE MAY TRY TO HIDE IN THE SENDING ROOM! COME ON!

HAS ANYONE SEEN A RUNAWAY ELF WITH RED HAIR?

NO! BUT IF HE COMES IN HERE, WE'LL HANG ONTO HIM FOR YOU, NIPPO!

DISPATCH ROOM
EMPLOYEES ONLY

IN THE MEANTIME...

I'LL TAKE ONE OF THE TAILOR'S COSTUMES AND DISGUISE MYSELF! THEN THEY'LL **NEVER** FIND ME!

AHA! LUCK IS WITH ME! NOBODY HERE!

THIS **PIRATE** OUTFIT WILL REALLY COVER ME UP!

OH, GOSH! I WONDER IF I CAN GET PAST HIM?

GOOD! HE DIDN'T SEE ME!

OH, OH! HOPE I CAN REACH THAT CART BEFORE SOMEBODY SPIES ME!

PPING EPT.

WHAT'S THAT FUNNY LITTLE WAGON, NIPPO?

THE DELIVERY CART! IT CARRIES THE NEW CHARACTERS TO THE SENDING ROOM! THEY'RE SENT TO EARTH FROM THERE!

THAT'S QUITE A CARLOAD, FIZZ!

YES! AND THEY'RE ALL RUSH ORDERS!

YOU DON'T HAPPEN TO HAVE AN **ELF** IN YOUR CART, DO YOU?

NARY A ONE!

JEEPERS! LOOK AT ALL THE CHARACTERS ZOOMIN' DOWN! AUTHORS MUST BE WRITIN' LOTS O' STORIES!

ISN'T IT EXCITING, SNIFFLES?

OUTGOING

SHOOT THIS ONE DOWN AT TOP SPEED! IT'S A HURRY-UP ORDER!

OKAY, FIZZ! **ONE SEA CAPTAIN... TOP PRIORITY!**

ALL **A-BO-O-ARD!**

OUTGOIN

MARY JANE, HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEND THIS FAIRY DANCER DOWN?

OOH! I'D **LOVE** TO!

HOW'S FOR LETTIN' **ME** SEND THE NEXT ONE?

YOU MAY...AND WELCOME! I'LL FIND ONE ...

MY! WHAT A STRANGE-LOOKING CHARACTER!

HMPF! ALL PIRATES LOOK STRANGE!

THAT'S RIGHT, SNIFFLES! BUT HE'S THE FIRST ONE I EVER SAW WHO HAD POINTED EARS!

IT'S SNICKERS! MARY JANE'S ELF!

HEE! HEE! YOU'LL NEVER CATCH ME AND PUT ME IN A FAIRY STORY!

HE'S GETTING AWAY! STOP HIM! QUICK!

FORWA

STO

(SOB)...H-HE'S GONE!

DON'T CRY, MARY JANE! I'LL BRING THE RASCAL BACK!

FORWARD STOP REVERSE

A SHORT RIDE, WASN'T IT, SNICKERS?

YOU DON'T HAVE ME...YET!

OH, NO?

NOW, YOU SCAMP, KINDLY EXPLAIN YOURSELF!

LET ME GO! I DON'T WANT TO BE A CHARACTER IN A STORY!

BUT YOU'LL BE VERY IMPORTANT, SNICKERS! YOU'LL BE THE HERO AND RESCUE THE PRINCESS!

WELL...OKAY...IN THAT CASE IT'S A DEAL, MARY JANE!

OH, THANK YOU, SNICKERS!

I'LL TAKE THIS PIRATE OUTFIT BACK TO THE TAILOR! AND WE'LL SHIP YOU THREE BACK TO EARTH RIGHT AWAY!

YIPPEE!

GOOD-BYE!

AN' THANKS FOR THE RIDE!

GOOD LUCK!

WELL, MARY JANE! DID YOU FIND THE RIGHT CHARACTER TO PUT IN YOUR STORY?

OH, YES, DADDY! A LITTLE ELF THAT I NAMED SNICKERS!

The End

WARNER BROS. CARTOONS, INC. PRESENT—

PORKY PIG

TH' G-GARBAGE CAN! I DISTINCTLY TOLD C-CICERO TO CARRY IT OUT FOR ME!

I D-DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M GONNA DO W-WITH THAT KID!

ALWAYS H-HE MAKES TH' SAME EXCUSE WHENEVER I ASK HIM T-T-TO DO SOMETHING!

C-CICERO PIG! WHY DIDN'T YOU C-CARRY OUT TH' GARBAGE FOR ME?

I FORGOT, PORKY!

YOU F-FORGOT! YOU F-FORGOT! THAT'S WHAT YOU ALWAYS S-SAY!

C-CAN'T YOU THINK OF ANY OTHER EXCUSE?

BUT IT'S TRUE.... I DID FORGET! GEE WHIZ, PORKY! DON'T YOU EVER FORGET?

I M-MOST CERTAINLY DO NOT! I CAN'T AFFORD T-T-TO FORGET!

I'LL TRY TO DO BETTER, PORKY!

WHAT A K-KID! ALL HE EVER THINKS ABOUT IS PLAYING, AN' G-G-GAMES, AN'.....

HMMM-M... THE W-W-WATER'S RUNNING OUT AWFULLY S-SLOWLY! MUST BE STOPPED UP!

ANYTHING FOR US?

JUST ONE LETTER FOR PORKY! WANT TO TAKE IT TO HIM, CICERO?

FOR YOU, PORKY!

P-PUT IT ON TH' TABLE! I'LL R-R-READ IT LATER! RIGHT NOW I WANT Y-YOU TO RUN OVER TO PETUNIA'S FOR M-ME!

T-T-TELL HER I'D LIKE TO BORROW HER *PLUMBER'S FRIEND!* THINK YOU C-CAN REMEMBER THAT?

YES, BUT AREN'T YOU GOIN' TO OPEN YOUR...

N-NEVER MIND! GO GET THE P-PLUMBER'S FRIEND!

OKAY! OKAY!

ONE HOUR LATER...

H-H-HE'S HAD TIME TO BORROW A D-DOZEN OF 'EM!

I SHOULD H-H-HAVE GONE MYSELF IN TH' FIRST P-PLACE!

PORKY PIG

P.P.PETUNIA!

KNOCK! KNOCK!

WHY, HELLO, PORKY! I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO BE BUSY CLEANING HOUSE TODAY!

I AM.... B-BUT I SENT CICERO OVER AN HOUR AGO TO BORROW Y-YOUR PLUMBER'S FRIEND, AND HE M-MUST HAVE FORGOTTEN!

WHY, HE **WAS** HERE, PORKY! GOODNESS! WHAT COULD HAVE HAPPENED TO HIM?

I G-GUESS I'D BETTER GO LOOK FOR HIM! S-SEE YOU LATER, PETUNIA!

NOW PLAYING

GRETNA GREENE IN "BLOOPIE"

C-C-CICERO OUGHTA BE TAUGHT A LESSON IN R-R-REMEMBERING! HMM... I'LL ASK IF HE'S IN H-HERE!

NO, HE ISN'T IN HERE, PORKY! BUT I *DID* SEE HIM HEADING FOR THE ICE-CREAM PARLOR!

THANKS, H-HUBERT!

H-HELLO, MISTER KELLER! HAS CICERO B-BEEN IN HERE?

WHY, YES, HE WAS, PORKY! BUT HE LEFT ABOUT HALF AN HOUR AGO!

C. CICERO PROB'LY FORGOT TO COME H-HOME!

YOUR SHOT, BERNARD!

FWOP!

JEEPERS! YOU EVEN MISSED THE WHOLE FENCE!

GLUB! BLUB! BLUB!

UH! OH!

UH....I THINK I'LL BE RUNNIN' ALONG!

THERE'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT, PORKY! I'LL PULL IT OFF!

GLUBBA LUBBA BLUBBA!

JUST RELAX! IT'LL ALL BE OVER IN A....

POP

...MINUTE!

S-SIX..SEVEN..! ..EIGHT....

I GUESS HE'S ALL RIGHT! HE'S ABLE TO COUNT!

A LITTLE LATER, WITH THE AID OF THE PLUMBER'S FRIEND...

THERE! ALL UNSTOPPED! AND W-WITHOUT HAVING TO PAY A P-PLUMBER'S BILL!

YOU'RE A GENIUS, PORKY!

UH! OH! LOOK! TH' FAUCET'S LEAKING NOW!

DRIP! DRIP!

S-S-SO IT IS! BUT THAT'S ANOTHER AMAZINGLY S-S-SIMPLE JOB TO FIX!

WHEN YOU R-RETURN THIS TO PETUNIA, ASK HER TO L-LOAN US A WASHER, A WRENCH, A S-SCREW DRIVER.....

ON S-SECOND THOUGHT, I'D BETTER G-GO MYSELF!

HE'D N-NEVER IN TH' WORLD REMEMBER ALL THOSE TH-THINGS!

I R-REALLY DIDN'T NEED YOUR WHOLE T-TOOL CHEST, PETUNIA!

YOU WILL, BEFORE THE DAY'S OVER! I KNOW WHAT USUALLY HAPPENS WHEN YOU MAKE REPAIRS AROUND THE HOUSE!

FOR SALE

AND I STILL SAY IT'D BE CHEAPER FOR YOU TO HIRE A PLUMBER!

BUT PORKY DOESN'T HIRE ONE, AND...

I'M SIMPLY AMAZED! YOU FIXED IT!

SURE! P-P-PUTTING IN A NEW WASHER IS EASY!

N-NOW IF IT HAD BEEN SOMETHING WRONG UNDER H-HERE.....

KLONK

LOOK OUT! THOSE PIPES ARE OLD!

SPLUSH!

I KNEW IT! I KNEW IT WAS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE!

W-W-WELL..... HELP ME, YOU TWO! CICERO, R-RUN GET ME TH' ADHESIVE TAPE!

YES, SIR! BUT WHERE IS IT? I FORGET WHERE YOU KEEP IT!

ON TH' B-BACK PORCH.... THIRD SHELF... IN TH' FOURTH B-BOX!

Y-Y-YOU CAN GET TH' CAN OF P-P-PUTTY I BOUGHT TODAY, PETUNIA!

ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND, PORKY?

SURELY YOU DON'T INTEND TO STOP THAT LEAK WITH *PUTTY* AND *ADHESIVE TAPE*?

D-D-DO AS I SAY, PETUNIA! I KEEP TH' P-PUTTY IN TH' BOOKCASE .... IN BACK OF VOLUME FIVE OF THE ENCYCLOPEDIA!

OH, ALL RIGHT!

WHAT A STRANGE PLACE TO KEEP PUTTY!

YES.....HERE IT IS.....RIGHT WHERE PORKY SAID IT WOULD BE!

PUTTY

BY APPLYING THE PUTTY AND THE TAPE...

GOSH, PORKY!

YOU DID IT! IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE, BUT YOU STOPPED THE LEAK!

OF C-COURSE!

BOY, PORKY, YOU'RE SURE A TERRIFIC PLUMBER!

N-NO, NO, CICERO! YOU'LL BREAK TH' S-SINK!

OH, I'M NOT HEAVY ENOUGH, ...ER...

CR-R-RACK!

N-NOW SEE WHAT YOU'VE D-DONE!

CRUNCH!

YIPES!

ARE YOU HURT, CICERO?

I DON'T THINK SO! GOSH, PORKY, I'M AWFULLY SORRY!

I SHOULD THINK Y-YOU WOULD BE! AN' AFTER I G-GOT IT ALL FIXED, TOO!

THIS TIME YOU'D BETTER CALL THE PLUMBER, PORKY...AND THE CARPENTER!

I W-W-WILL NOT! HELP ME LIFT THIS UP! C-CICERO, HAND ME TH' NAILS AN' TH' H-HAMMER!

W-WE'LL PROP IT UP WITH A CHAIR WHILE I N-N-NAIL IT BACK IN PLACE!

I'LL GET YOU ONE, PORKY!

C-C-CICERO! DID YOU HAVE TO DROP TH' NAILS ALL OVER TH' F-F-FLOOR? I S'POSE YOU FORGOT Y-YOU WERE HOLDING THEM!

I'LL PICK THEM UP, PORKY!

NEVER M-MIND THE NAILS NOW! G-GET THAT CHAIR! WE CAN'T HOLD THE SINK UP ALL D-DAY!

HERE IT IS, PORKY!

ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T WANT ME TO CALL THE PLUMBER, PORKY?

I'M QUITE C-C-CAPABLE OF FIXING THIS MYSELF, THANK Y-YOU!

THIS CHAIR ISN'T HIGH ENOUGH!

WELL, GET SOME B-BOOKS TO RAISE TH' S-SINK! THEN I'LL HAVE TO STRAIGHTEN THE P-P-PIPES!

BUT WON'T THEY LEAK? PERHAPS YOU'D BETTER GET NEW PIPES!

N-NO, THESE PIPES WILL BE ALL R-RIGHT!

P-P-PUT TH' BOOKS ON TH' CHAIR WHILE I G-GET SOME MORE!

I'LL TAPE THOSE P-PIPES TOGETHER WITH SOME MORE ADHESIVE! CICERO, YOU PICK UP THOSE N-NAILS AND FIND ME TWO B-BIG ONES!

OKAY, PORKY!

THERE! THOSE P-PIPES OUGHTA HOLD! NOW TO HAMMER TH' S-SINK BACK IN PLACE!

IT'S ALL D-DONE! AND IT DOESN'T LEAK, EITHER! I T-TOLD YOU I DIDN'T NEED A PLUMBER!

YOU ARE CLEVER, PORKY!

IT'S G-GETTING LATE, PETUNIA! WHY NOT HAVE D-DINNER WITH US!

WELL, IT IS PRACTICALLY DARK OUTSIDE!

I'LL G-GO IN TH' KITCHEN AN' PUT S-SOME POTATOES ON TO B-BOIL!

I'LL HELP!

AH, H-HERE THEY ARE.. ...RIGHT WHERE THEY SHOULD B-BE!

YOU KEEP THE POTATOES IN THE CRACKER BOX?

CRACKERS

AND THE COFFEE IN THE SUGAR BOWL..... AND THE SUGAR IN THE COFFEE JAR!

SUGAR

COFFEE

YOU KEEP THINGS IN THE STRANGEST PLACES! DON'T YOU EVER FORGET WHERE YOU PUT THINGS?

H-HA! ME? FORGET?

I M-MAKE IT A POINT NEVER TO F-FORGET ANYTHING!

HEY, PORKY! YOU FORGOT TO READ YOUR LETTER!

I D-DID NOT FORGET! I MERELY HAVEN'T GOTTEN T-TO IT!

ER...THAT'S F-FUNNY....NO WATER...

I THOUGHT THERE WAS SOMETHING PHONEY!

YOU DIDN'T FIX THAT SINK AT ALL! THERE SIMPLY ISN'T ANY WATER! IT'S BEEN SHUT OFF!

SH-SHUT OFF?

THEY C-C-CAN'T DO THIS TO ME! I'LL CALL TH' W-WATER COMPANY! I'LL... I'LL...

BEFORE YOU CALL 'EM UP, WHY DON'TCHA 'READ THIS LETTER? IT'S FROM THE WATER COMPANY!

The Water Co.

Dear Mr. Pig:
No doubt you have merely forgotten to send us a check, but unless your water bill is paid by 6 P.M. today, we will be forced to shut off your water supply.
Respectfully,

SO YOU NEVER FORGET! HA! HA!

HO! HO!

W-WELL... HARDLY EVER!

J-J-JUST BECAUSE I FORGOT TO PAY ONE TEENSY LI'L B-BILL.....

I'LL R-REALLY TELL 'EM A THING OR TWO..... CUTTING OFF M-MY WATER WITH NO MORE N-NOTICE THAN A LETTER! IT'S....IT'S OUTRAGEOUS!

HA! HA!

H-H-HELLO! OPERATOR!

CLICK

CLICK

I S-S-S'POSE SHE FORGOT TO GO TO WORK T-TODAY!

HERE! LET ME TRY, PORKY!

OPERATOR?

NO WONDER THERE'S NO ANSWER! THE LINE'S **DEAD**!

B-BUT, HOW....?

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN TO PAY THE PHONE BILL, TOO, PORKY?

UH.... ..M-MUST HAVE....

B-BUT I'LL SEND 'EM A CHECK! AND I'LL WRITE TH' W-WATER COMPANY A LETTER THAT'LL SCORCH 'EM!

COME NOW, PORKY! DON'T BE LIKE THAT! WE **ALL** FORGET THINGS SOMETIMES!

SURE... EVEN **ME**! TEE! HEE!

! ? ?

ER....KNOW SOMETHING, FOLKS?....I THINK I F-F-FORGOT TO PAY TH' L-LIGHT BILL, TOO!

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HENERY HAWK

WHILLIKERS! I'D SURE LIKE TO WIN THAT PRIZE MONEY!

ODD PETS CONTEST! $100 CASH FOR THE MOST UNUSUAL PET! TODAY AT BEAKY BUZZARD'S BARN!

BUT I DON'T EVEN HAVE A PLAIN OL' COMMON PET!

I KNOW! I'LL CATCH ME THAT TURTLE THAT'S BEEN HANGIN' AROUND THE POND!

HERE, TURTLE, TURTLE, TURTLE! NICE TURTLE!

PRETTY TURTLE! COME TO HENERY, LI'L TURTLE-WURTLE!

EEEOUCH!

OW! OW! OW!!

PLEASE, HENERY... I WISH YOU WOULDN'T GET MY PET SO EXCITED ON THE DAY OF THE CONTEST!

YOUR PET? WELL, MAKE THE FOOL THING TURN LOOSE!

IT'S NO WONDER SHE BIT YOU!

DEAR LITTLE TERESA SIMPLY DETESTS BEING CALLED A TURTLE! SHE'S A TERRAPIN, YOU KNOW!

NAW, I DIDN'T KNOW!

TERESA AND I FEEL CERTAIN OF WINNING THE ODD PET CONTEST THIS AFTERNOON!

AW, PHOOEY!

THERE'LL BE NO LIVIN' WITH THAT SMARTY OWL IF HE WINS THE CONTEST!

LET ME SEE— WHAT WOULD MAKE AN UNUSUAL PET?

A FLEA, THAT'S WHAT!

CHARLIE DOG HAS LOTS OF 'EM! I'M SURE HE COULD SPARE ME ONE!

BUT AT CHARLIE DOG'S PLACE...

SORRY, HENERY! YOU'RE A MITE TOO LATE!

IF YOU'D COME SOONER, I'D O'BEEN GLAD TO ACCOMMODATE YA!

>GULP!<

FLEA SOAP GUARANTEED TO GET RID OF FLEAS

BUT, CHARLIE... I THOUGHT YOU HARDLY EVER TOOK A BATH!

I DON'T AS A RULE...

BUT THE SOAP WAS A GIFT FROM OLLIE OWL AN'...

I MIGHTA KNOWN!

ALWAYS IT'S THAT OWL WHO RUINS THINGS FOR ME!

SAY! THAT'S A REAL CUTE LITTLE CALF! I'LL BET HE COULD WIN THAT CONTEST!

I'M SURE WHOEVER OWNS HIM WOULDN'T MIND IF I BORROWED HIM FOR THE AFTERNOON! I'VE JUST GOTTA BEAT OLLIE!

SNORT! SNORT!

UH, OH!

HALP!!!

EEYOW!!!

BOP!

WELL, WELL! HENERY HAWK! WHAT BRINGS YOU UP HERE?

WHAP!

OH, HELLO, MISTER REDBIRD!

REDBIRD? REDBIRD!!

THAT GIVES ME A KEENY IDEA!

PLEASE DO ME A FAVOR, SIR! YOU KNOW HOW BULLS CHASE THINGS THAT ARE RED? WELL... HERE'S ALL I WANT YOU TO DO!

A FEW MOMENTS LATER...

HEH! HEH! IT'S WORKIN'!

SNORT!

WHILE THE BULL CHASES MISTER REDBIRD, I BORROW THE CALF! HEH, HEH!

SNORT! SNORT!

OLLIE'S SILLY OL' TURTLE WON'T HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN THE CONTEST AGAINST SUCH A FINE LOOKIN' CALF!

HOW CHARMING OF YOU TO HELP ME OUT LIKE THIS, HENERY! FRANKLY, I WAS QUITE FRIGHTENED OF THAT BULL!

!

BUT SINCE YOU GOT MY CALF OUT OF THE PASTURE, I SHALL ENTER HIM IN THE CONTEST, ALSO!

Y-YOUR CALF?

SURELY, DEAR BOY! I'M SURPRISED YOU DIDN'T NOTICE OUR BRAND!

THANKS OODLES, HENERY! COME ALONG, SAMSON!

HEY! IS IT FAIR TO ENTER MORE'N ONE PET IN THE CONTEST?

MERCY, YES! WHY, I'M ENTERING SCADS OF PETS! YOU SEE, I'M QUITE DETERMINED TO WIN!

IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR THE CONTEST, AN' I STILL DON'T HAVE A PET!

HI, HENERY!

HI, TWERPO PENGUIN! I'M GLAD TO SEE SOMEBODY ELSE HAS A PET TO ENTER!

YEP! I'LL WIN, TOO, IF I CAN ONLY GET THERE WITHOUT YIELDING TO TEMPTATION!

?

SPLASH!

SMACK!

SMACK!

YUM! YUM!

I YIELDED!

AFTERNOON ... AND THE ENTIRE POPULATION OF BIRDVILLE GATHERS IN BEAKY BUZZARD'S BARN FOR THE CONTEST...

WE CAN'T START UNTIL THE JUDGE ARRIVES!

HERE HE IS NOW!

OLLIE'S FATHER! THAT'S NO FAIR! OLLIE IS ONE OF THE CHIEF CONTESTANTS!

I ASSURE YOU, MY BOY— I SHALL JUDGE FAIRLY!

HA! HA!

I PROTEST! I PROTEST!

WHY SHOULD YOU? YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE A PET TO ENTER IN THE CONTEST! HA! HA!

HA! HA! HA!

OH, YES, I HAVE! AN' DON'T YOU DARE START THE CONTEST TILL I GET BACK WITH HIM!

NOW I AM IN A FIX! I'VE JUST GOTTA THINK OF SOME KIND OF PET!

BUT WHAT?

PLONK!

A WORM! OF COURSE! EVEN OLLIE'S POP WILL HAVE TO AWARD ME THE PRIZE!

A WORM IS ABOUT THE MOST UNUSUALEST PET THERE IS, I BETCHA! I'LL CALL HIM "WILLIE", AN'...

WHOOPS! THE APPLE'S SORTA SLIPPERY!

WILLIE! WAIT!

BIRDVILLE NATIONAL BANK

DOGGONIT! I'LL GET THAT WORM, EVEN IF I HAFTA CHASE TH' APPLE, CLEAR INTO TOWN!

WE SURE PULLED A FAST ONE ON THE LOCAL YOKELS! EVERY BIRD IN TOWN IS AT THE "UNUSUAL PET CONTEST"! HO! HO!

BIRDVILLE BANK VAULT

WON'T THEM HICKS BE SURPRISED WHEN THEY FIND OUT WE PLANNED TH' WHOLE THING TO GET THEM OUTA TOWN WHILE WE ROB THEIR BANK!

THESE GUYS ARE GONNA BE SURPRISED, TOO, I BETCHA.!

LATER...

WELL! DID YOU BRING YOUR UNUSUAL PETS, HENERY? TEE HEE.!

NOT EXACTLY.!

BUT I'VE GOT A COUPLE OF COMMON THIEVES.! CAUGHT 'EM ROBBING THE BANK.!

WHY, THEY'RE THE MEN WHO ASKED ME TO JUDGE THE CONTEST.!

OH, DEAR.! THE WHOLE EVENT IS A FAKE.! AND THERE WON'T BE ANY "UNUSUAL PET" CONTEST.!

I DON'T SEE WHY NOT, SON.!

WE'LL GO RIGHT AHEAD WITH THE CONTEST AS SCHEDULED.!

NATURALLY, YOU'VE DECIDED ON ONE OF MY PETS, FAWTHER?

TWEET.!

TWEET.!

NO, SON.! HENERY WING.! I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING MORE UNUSUAL THAN THESE BIRDS.!

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Present

ELMER FUDD

THAT LAZY WABBIT IS IN HIS SWIMMING POOL AGAIN!

YIPPEEE!

SPLASH!

HEY, WABBIT! I WISH YOU WOULDN'T CWEATE SUCH A COMMOTION!

UH... BUT, DOC! I GOTTA KEEP COOL!

SPLASH!

WHOOPS! SORRY... MY EARS SLIPPED!

THAT'S TH' LAST STWAW! I WEFUSE TO LIVE IN THAT WABBIT'S VICINITY!

UH... WHERE YA GOIN', DOC?

I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT LITTLE CHARACTER WOULD REALLY MOVE!

I'LL GO TO A WEAL ESTATE BWOKER!

I MUST HAVE A HOUSE WHERE A CERTAIN WABBIT CAN'T BUILD A SWIMMING POOL NEXT DOOR!

?

THEN HERE'S JUST THE SPOT YOU WANT! THERE'S NOT A DROP OF WATER FOR MILES!

A LONELY LOG CABIN! THIS IS JUST WIGHT!

I WILL MOVE INTO THIS HOUSE AN' BE WID OF THAT WABBIT AN' HIS SWIMMIN' POOL FOREVER!

I WANT YOU TO LOAD EVERYTHING AN' DELIVER IT TO THIS ADDWESS!

YIPES! HE'S REALLY GONNA MOVE!

I SIMPLY CAN'T LET THIS HAPPEN TO ME! WHERE WOULD I GET MY CARROTS?

WHEN YOU GET THOSE TWUNKS LOADED, WE WILL BE ALL SET!

I GOTTA FIND OUT WHERE HE'S GOIN'!

ER... SAY, DOC! YOU'D BETTER LEAVE YOUR FORWARDIN' ADDRESS WITH ME... IN CASE YA GET SOME MAIL, Y' KNOW!

UMPH!

WHY, YOU WASCAL! I'D BE CWAZY TO LET YOU KNOW MY NEW ADDWESS!

YOU GRIEVE ME DEEPLY, DOC!

I'LL MEET YOU AT MY NEW WESIDENCE!

YES, SIR! I KNOW TH' WAY!

I CAN'T LET THAT LITTLE GUY AN' HIS CARROT PATCH GET AWAY SO EASY!

MOVING VAN

WIGHT IN HERE, DWIVER!

THIS MUST BE THE PLACE! I'LL HOP OFF AN' HIDE TILL I FIND OUT WHAT GIVES!

HMM... THIS IS A DIFFERCULT SITURATION! NO WATER AROUND HERE!

AN' IN THIS HEAT, I GOTTA HAVE A SWIMMIN' POOL!

IT'S JUST TOO HOT TO DIG FOR WATER!

THAT WABBIT!

HMM... WHO COULD I GET TO DIG A WELL!

I WONDER HOW HE DISCOVERED ME!

I DEMAND AN EXPLANATION FOR YOUR PWESENCE HERE!

ER...WHY, DOC, I'M JUST EXPLORIN'!

I GOT AN INSUPRATION! I KNOW WHO'S GONNA DIG THAT WELL FOR ME!

I'LL HAVE TO KEEP MY EYE ON THAT WABBIT!

SNAP!

IF HE THINKS HE CAN PUT ANYTHING OVER ON ELMER FUDD, HE'S VEWY BADLY MISTAKEN!

I'LL DRAW A MAP HERE BEHIND THIS TREE WHERE HE CAN'T SEE ME!

AND THEN I'LL HANG IT UP HERE RIGHT IN PLAIN SIGHT!

HMM... THAT WABBIT IS BEHAVING VERY STWANGELY!

THEN I TAKE SIX PACES EAST! ONE, TWO...

...THREE PACES NORTH, AN' X MARKS THE SPOT!

WELL FOR GWACIOUS' SAKES! HE'S STARTING TO DIG!

HE HAS ABSOLWTELY NO WIGHT TO DIG THERE!

I'LL ... I'LL ... WHAT'S THIS?

A TWEASURE MAP! I WONDER IF ...

N

TREASURE MAP

KINDLY EXPLAIN WHY YOU ARE DIGGING ON MY GWOUND!

WHY, ER... YA SEE... IT'S THIS WAY, DOC...

ALL WIGHT, QUIT STALLING! I WANT THE TWUTH!

IT'S INSTRINCT, DOC! ALL RABBITS DIG HOLES!

IF YOU'LL PARDON ME, DOC, I MUST GET ON WITH MY WORK!

STOP THAT DIGGING, YOU WICKED WABBIT!

IF THERE'S ANY SHOVELING DONE AROUND HERE, I WILL DO IT!

WAIT, DOC! LET'S TALK THIS OVER!

JUST SAVE YOUR BWEATH! I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE UP TO!

THERE'S TWEASURE BURIED IN THIS GWOUND!

YOU'RE SO RIGHT, DOC!

WHEN YOU FIND IT, WE CAN **BOTH** RETIRE!

AND JUST WHY SHOULD I INCLUDE YOU?

WELL, WE'VE BEEN FRIENDS AN' NEIGHBORS FOR SO LONG AN'...

LISTEN, WABBIT! I WANT IT DISTINCTLY UNDERSTOOD! YOU ARE NO FWIEND OF MINE!

BUT WE'VE LIVED SIDE-BY-SIDE AN'...

I SIMPLY DO NOT TWUST YOU!

OH, THIS IS TOO AWFUL!

I KNOW I'VE BEEN ANNOYIN' AT TIMES (SOB)...BUT I MEANT NO HARM!

NOW TO EWECT A WINCH TO HAUL UP THE WOCKS AN' DIRT!

SNIFF!

GOODNESS GWACIOUS! HE WEALLY APPEARS BWOKENHEARTED!

!

SOB! SOB!

THERE, THERE! IF YOU'RE WEALLY SORRY FOR YOUR WICKED WAYS...

HEH, HEH! THE GAG'S WORKIN'!

...I WILL WEWARD YOU WITH HALF OF WHAT I FIND!

OH, DOC... YOU'RE SO GOOD TO ME!

LATER...

NOW I CAN WAISE TH' DIRT IN THIS BUCKET!

FASCINATIN'!

UH... DOC, I'M AWFUL HOT! HOW'S ABOUT ME COOLIN' OFF IN THIS HOLE?

GO WIGHT AHEAD, MY FWIEND!

I'M GOING TO FIND THAT TWEASURE IF I HAVE TO DIG DOWN MILES AN' MILES!

UH-OH! TH' HOLE SPWUNG A LEAK!

I'VE BEEN TWICKED! THAT WABBIT TWIED TO DWOWN ME!

BUT THIS TIME, I'LL TEACH THAT WABBIT A LESSON HE WILL NEVER FORGET!

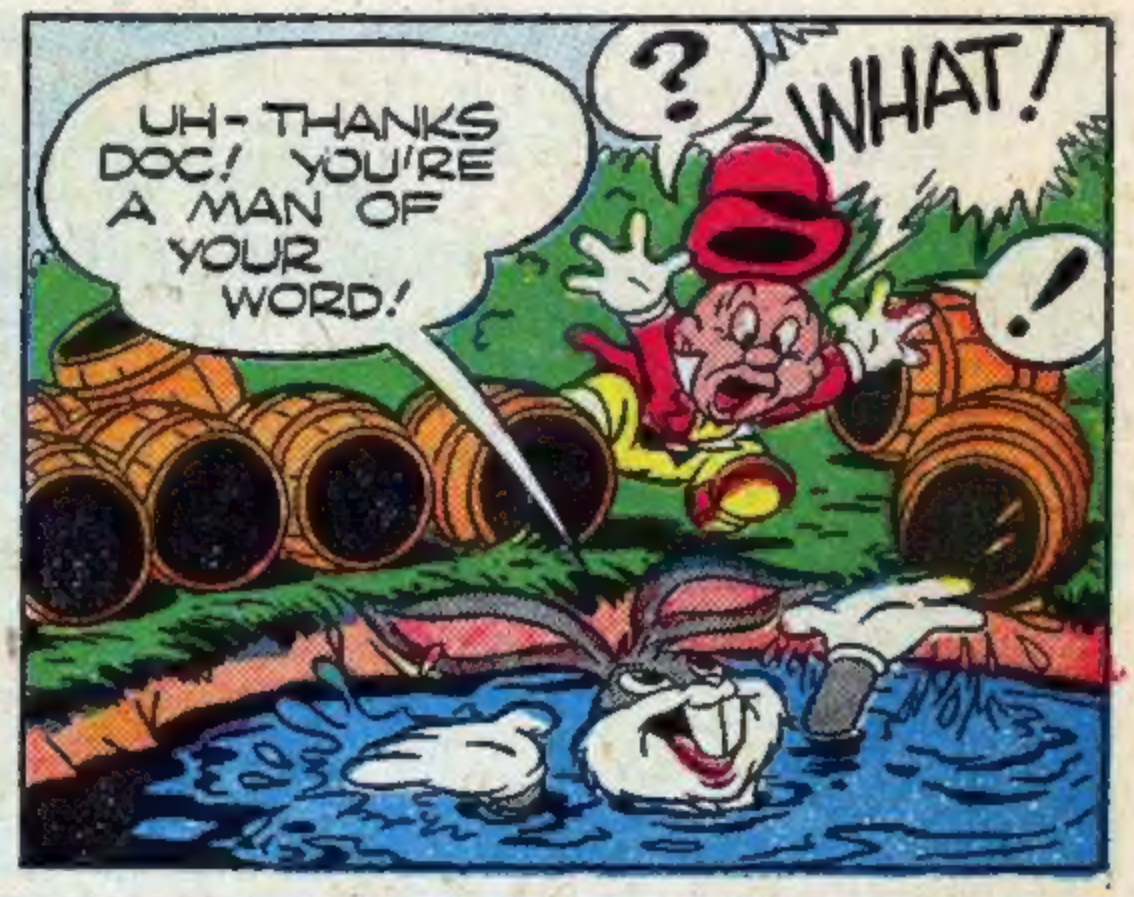
FIRST I WILL FILL ALL THESE BARRELS WITH WATER!

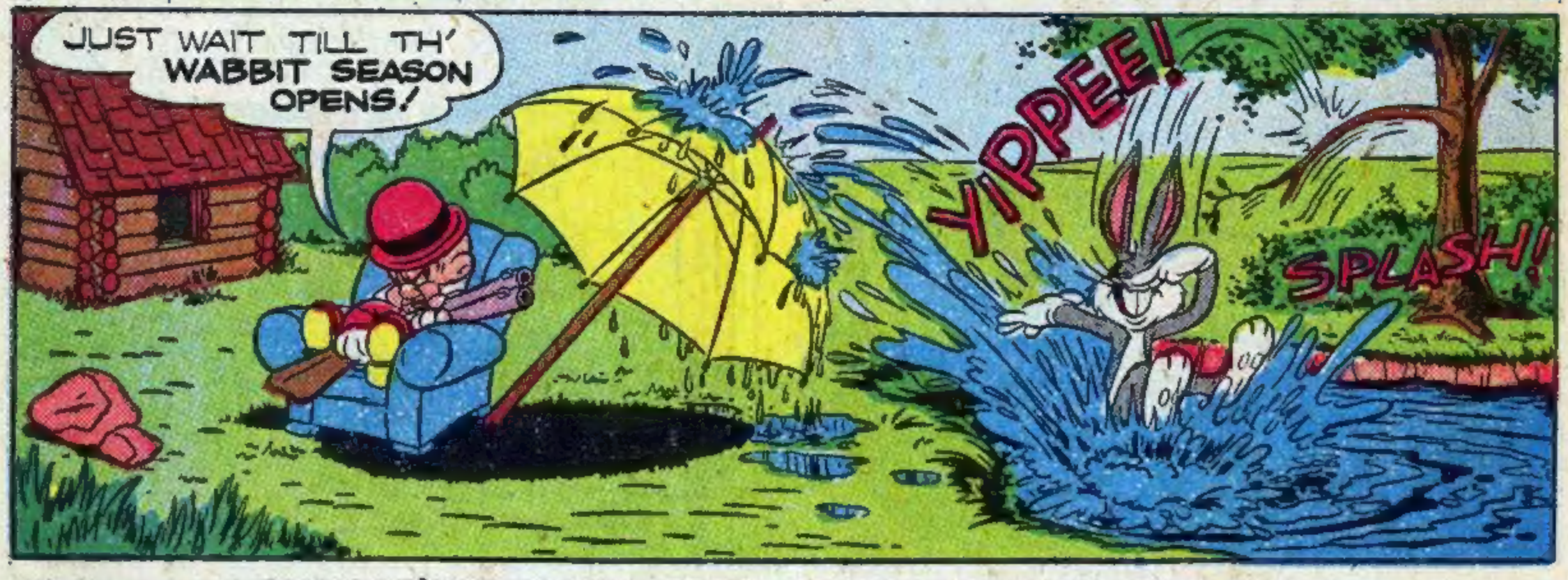
OH, MISTER WABBIT... I WISH TO WEPORT TH' DIGGING BWOUGHT WESULTS!

CONGRATULATIONS, DOC!

WHEN DO I GET MY SHARE?

YOU WILL GET DELIVERY PWOMPTLY!





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Porky heard the laughter and stopped running. He retraced his steps to the corner of the garage and peered around it just in time to hear Cicero chortle, "Ho! Ho! I sure scared Porky that time! I'll bet he's still runnin'!"

Cicero did not know Porky saw him. He was laughing too loudly to notice.

After a few minutes, Cicero stopped laughing, wiped the tears from his face, and called toward the garage. "Come on back, Porky! I'm sorry I scared you! Honest!"

There was no answer. Cicero lay down in the hammock. Porky was probably sulking. He might as well relax in the shade till Porky "got over his mad."

Half an hour went by. And when Porky still did not return, Cicero began to feel uneasy. All at once, a horrible thought struck him. Suppose Porky was so scared he never came back?

"Golly!" Cicero exclaimed, bounding out of the hammock. "I'd better go look for him!"

Cicero looked behind the garage first. Porky was not there. Nor was he inside the garage.

"Po-o-orky!" Cicero called loudly. "Where are you?"

There was no answer.

For the next hour, Cicero hunted high and low for Porky. He called at every house on the block, but nobody had seen Porky. By this time, Cicero was really worried. He was sure something dreadful had happened to his friend. He was trudging down the street, trying to decide what to do next, when—smack! —he bumped right into Officer Riley.

"Officer Riley!" gasped Cicero. "Porky's disappeared! Will you help me find him?"

The big, fat patrolman nodded. "Sure, an' I'll be glad to, Cicero. Tell me just what happened."

So Cicero did. When he had finished, Officer Riley said solemnly, "'Tis a right you have to be worried, Cicero. Terrible things happen to folks sometimes when they've had a bad fright!"

"Oh, dear!" moaned Cicero. "What will I do?"

"Come along," said the patrolman, "an' show me where you last saw him. We'll try and trace him from there."

Cicero was close to tears by the time he and Officer Riley reached the back yard. He shut his eyes to hold the tears back. But his eyes popped open wide with astonishment as he heard the big patrolman gasp, "Porky Pig! Say, what's goin' on here, anyway?"

Cicero gulped. There in the hammock, a broad grin on his face, lay Porky!

"Garrumph!" Officer Riley eyed Cicero sternly. "I've a good mind to run you in, Cicero, for takin' me away from my beat to look for a lost somebody who isn't lost at all!"

Porky stopped grinning and jumped out of the hammock. "P-Please, Officer Riley, don't arrest C-Cicero," he begged. "He d-did think I was lost, b-but, of course, I wasn't. I was hiding b-because I was mad at him for busting that b-bag and scaring me. I thought I'd teach him a lesson."

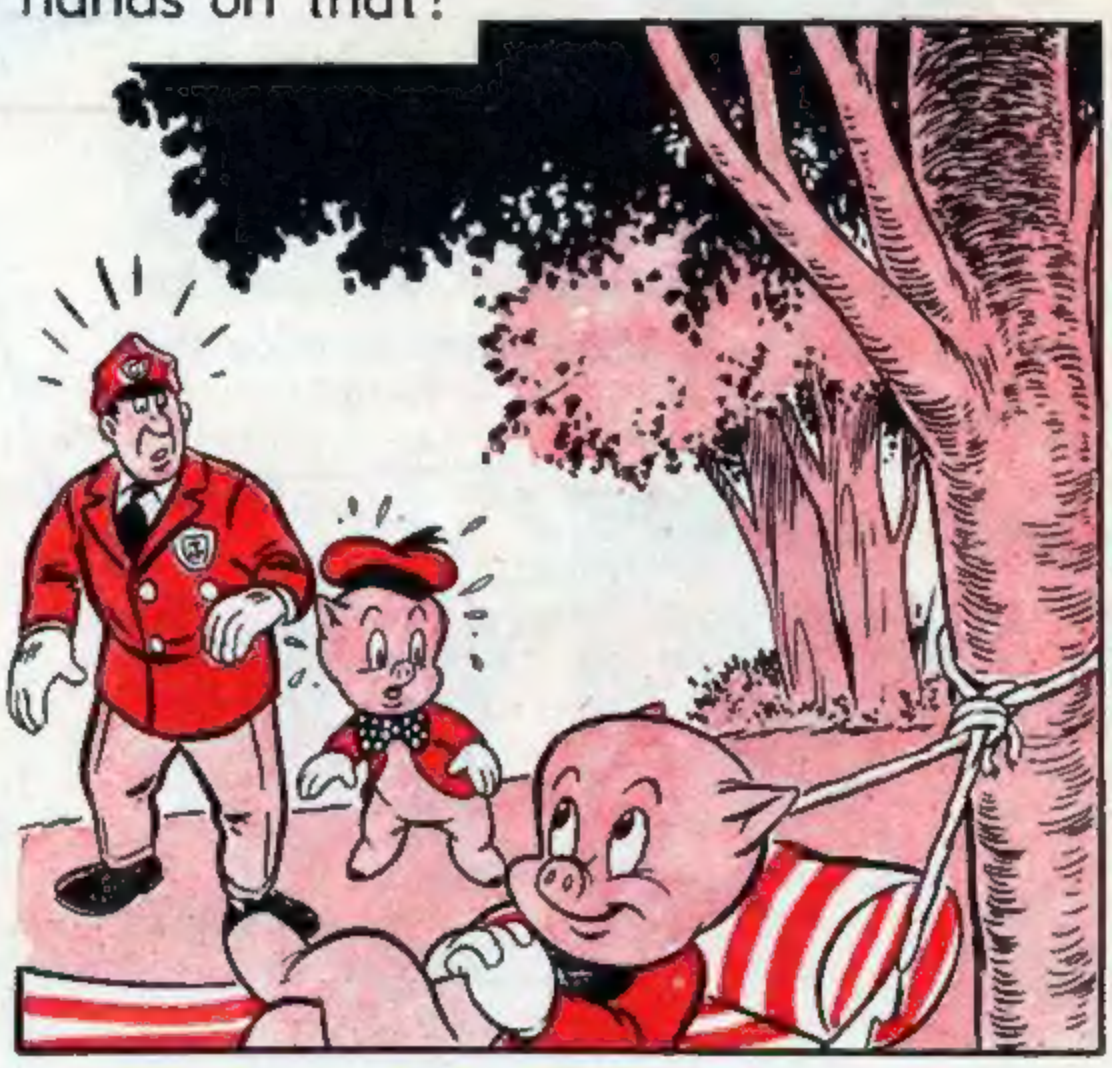
"Hmmmmm," said Officer Riley. "I'm thinkin' you need a lesson, too, Porky. You sure gave Cicero a scare. Maybe I ought to run you both in."

"P-Please don't," said Porky. "I'm s-sorry."

"So am I," said Cicero. "Honest!"

"Okay," smiled Officer Riley. "Apologies accepted. But mind you, don't let anything like this happen again!"

"We won't!" Cicero and Porky said together. And they all three shook hands on that!



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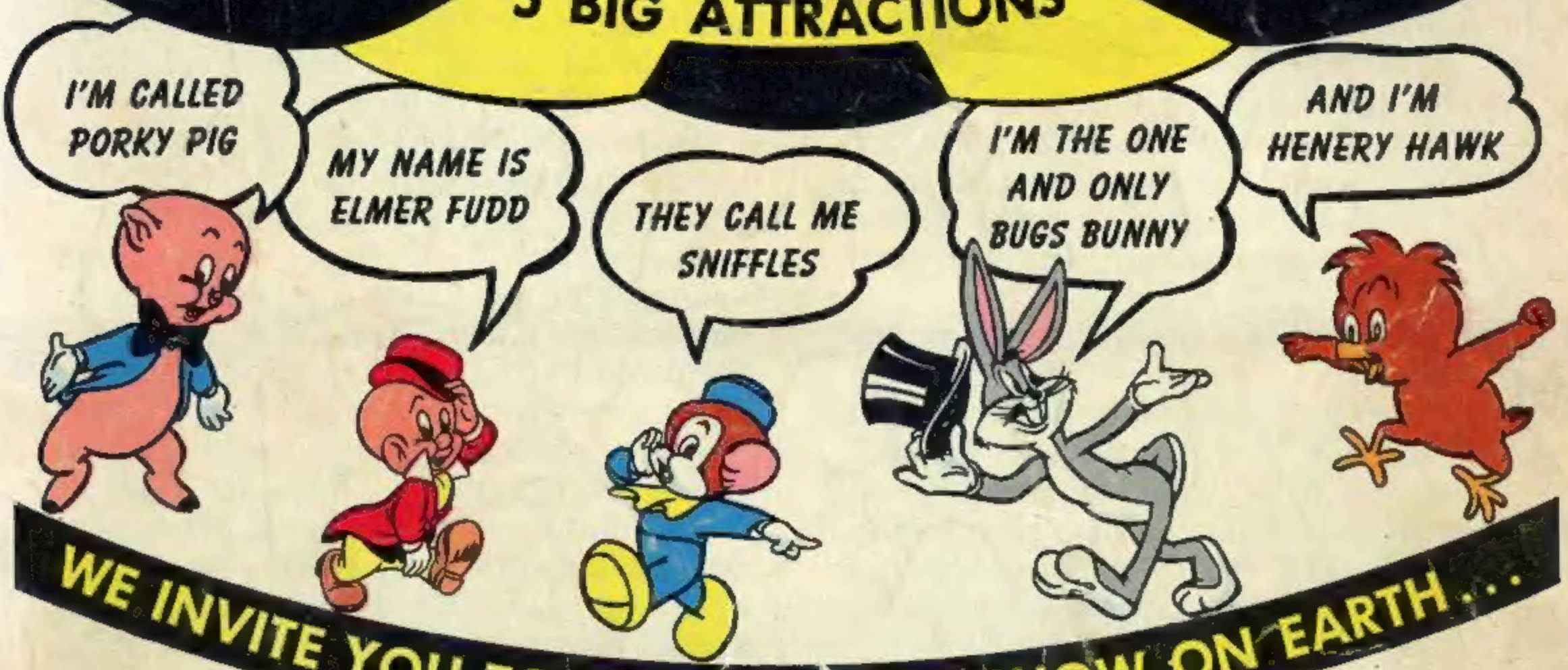

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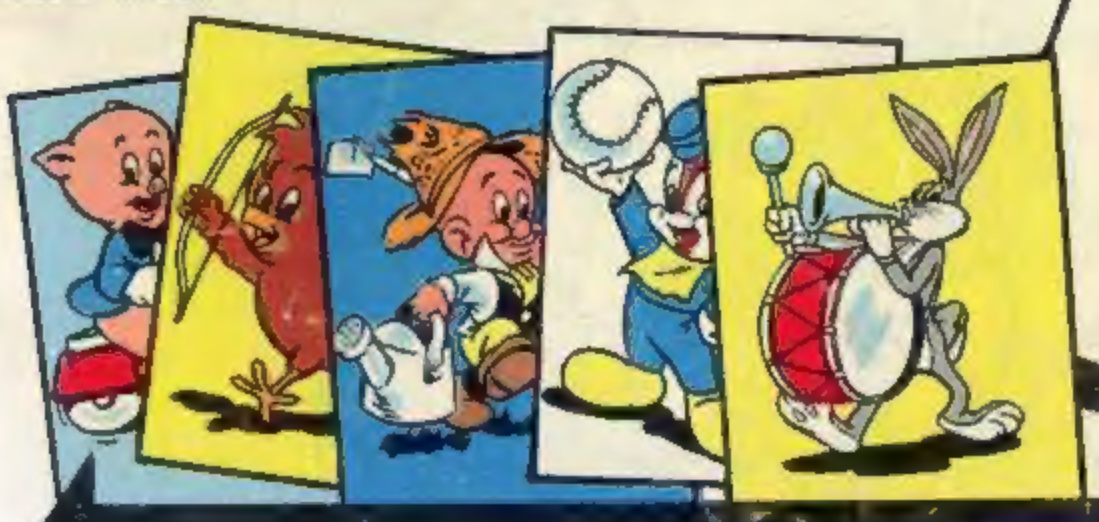

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